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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 11, 2005, Applicant responds as follows:

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully traverses and requests reconsideration.

Claims 1, 4-9 and 11-15, 17-20, 22-23 and 26-27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Cheng et al. in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,209,093 (Venkatesan). The Cheng reference is directed to an automatic updating of diverse software products on multiple client computer systems.

Cheng describes a system that stores a database that stores software update information for a plurality of software product manufacturers. The software update information in the database specifies the software update program or files and their network location in the computer system of the software vendors. The computer systems are connected over a network